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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION NEW DELHI FM BOMBAY FOR YOUR INFO

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SUBJ: TERRORISM: POLICE RAIDS IN HOLLAND: ARREST IN BOMBAY

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1. BOTH LOCAL POLICE AND DUTCH CONSUL GENERAL CONFIRMED THAT
DUTCH NATIONAL M.J. NIEUWBRUG WAS DETAINED IN BOMBAY ON
SEPTEMBER 27.

2. THE DUTCH CONGEN TOLD ME THAT HE WAS FIRST INFORMED BY THE
HAGUE ON SEPTEMBER 29 OF NIEUWBRUG'S DETENTION. HE
SAID THAT NIEUWBRUG WAS BEING DETAINED BY THE
IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES WHO HAD TOLD HIM THAT HIS REQUEST TO
SEE THE DETAINEE WAS "INCONVENIENT AT THIS TIME." DUTCH
CONGEN SAID HE HAS BEEN TOLD THAT NIEUWBRUG HAD NOT,
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THAT HE IS NOT PUSHING THE MATTER AT THIS TIME.

3. ACCORDING TO THE CONGEN (WHOSE SOURCE APPARENTLY WAS THE IMMIGRATION POLICE), NIEUWBRUG ARRIVED IN NEW DELHI ON/ABOUT SEPTEMBER 26 ON A FLIGHT FROM PARIS CLAIMING TO BE AN IN-TRANSIT TOURIST FOR BOMBAY. DELHI AUTHORITIES APPARENTLY BECAME SUSPICIOUS, PARTIALLY BECAUSE OF NIEUWBURG'S DEMEANOR AND PARTIALLY BECAUSE EUROPEAN TOURISTS TO INDIA INVARIBLY FIRST STOP IN NEW DELHI. NIEUWBRUG, HOWEVER, PROCEEDED DIRECTLY TO BOMBAY AND CHECKED INFO A "SLEEZY" HOTEL. AT 0400 ON THE MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 27, NIEUWBRUG PROCEEDED, ALONE, TO THE BOMBAY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WHERE HIS PRESENCE WAS NOTICED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES. NIEUWBRUG THEN RETURNED TO HIS HOTEL, WHERE HE WAS DETAINED BY IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES AND HIS POSSESSIONS SEQUESTERED.

4. IT MAY BE COINCIDENTAL BUT THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPERS OF SEPTEMBER 29 CARRIED A SHORT STORY TO THE EFFECT THAT AIR FRANCE FLIGHT 193 WAS RECALLED TO BANGKOK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT SHORTLY AFTER A 3 A.M. TAKEOFF ON SEPTEMBER 28 FOLLOWING AN ANONYMOUS MESSAGE ABOUT A BOMB THREAT. A THOROUGH SEARCH OF THE AIRCRAFT UPON ITS RETURN PROVED NEGATIVE.

'4. WE, OF COURSE, WILL REPORT FULLY ANY INFORMATION WHICH WE DEVELOP ON EITHER OR BOTH OF THESE TWO INCIDENTS.
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